

Today's Live News of the Sunshine State

CATTLE IN QUAY COUNTY TREBLE IN NUMBER IN THREE YEARS

Fifty Thousand Head Now Reported in Eastern County, Where Range Men Saw Ruin of the Industry.

TYPICAL OF CONDITION IN NEIGHBOR COUNTIES

Elimination of Open Range Instead of Reducing Number of Stock in State, Is Slowly Increasing It.

CATTLEMEN, stockholders and cattlemen generally will find interesting food for thought in a report on the livestock industry in three counties, New Mexico, just issued, and which shows that there are now something more than 25,000 head of cattle in that country, or practically three times as many as were there four years ago, and in fact the number of cattle released for government use is trebled numbers 15,000 head. This is in open feed, and the joint consequences, according to the Tucumcari paper, is that the actual number of cattle in the country is down.

While the 15,000 cattle first reported were all open range, there was indication from the open range men who practice intensive and systematic care for the cattle industry, an overstatement. Now, however, a very few permitted more increased to cover the open range or the greater and decreased that while the range was being closed up and fenced the number of cattle increased would increase. This appears to have been partial, but only to some extent, but in Roswell, Carrizozo, and the other pasture counties where the open range of 10 years ago has been taken up almost entirely by the herdsman. Not only is there a larger number of cattle, but the value of the individual cow and steer is several times greater than his old country cousin of the range days, not only because of advanced price, but also because the dry farmer discovered early in the game that it costs no more to feed a good steer than a poor one and that the good cow is worth double that the inferior, if propagation does in the instance. There is reason for many heads of the herd kind of cattle in those pasture counties which have set the pace for the new feed well interests in New Mexico.

More than twenty sets of Roswell cattle, 1000 head, from Carrizozo and Tucumcari, belonging to Ellsworth and George W. McLean, were sold at Fort Sumner last week by Fred Phillips, son of William McLean, the Carrizozo brothers, and twin by their deceased.

The Charles Springer Cattle company of Carrizozo has sold 2500 sets

of cattle, 1000 head, from Roswell, last week, chiefly to Kansas feeders.

J. M. Davis of the Montana Sheep Company, which is owned by R. H. Pollock of this city and associates, shipped 12,000 head of lambs from Mogollon last week, chiefly to Colorado and Northern feeders.

Sixty Calle last week shipped 2000 head of range cows from Springer to buyers in Colorado.

Stock transfers recorded during the past week at Knowles, Eddy county, include a total of about 2,000 transfers, all in small lots of 10 to 100, and at an average price that is considered fair.

The Carrizozo Cattle of Friday the 12th reports the following stock sales at the Eddy county seat:

Paul Ares sold to Jenkins & Lewis this week 100 head of cows.

Bangs and 218 tons on the Kansas City market for what are said to be record prices for New Mexico range cattle. The yearlings brought \$58.25 per head and the two \$65.85; the Bowles Commission company which handled the cattle, fourteen cars, or 442 head, report that in their seventeen years' experience in the Kansas City market they have never handled a bunch of the same size that brought as much money or as high a price per pound.

W. B. Harvey bought seven cars of cows and calves from Gallegos brothers, at Logan, last week, which he shipped to his ranch at Hartley, Texas.

George Williams bought the ranch outfit over in Texas about 200 head of sheep were loaded there, including 40,000 by the Heflin company, 25,000 by B. L. Owen, and smaller lots by various Guadalupe, Torrance and Lincoln county growers. J. H. Jenkins and others shipped about 2,000 head of cattle from the same station last week.

Angora goat men of the Lake Valley district will ship a car load of their season's mohair crop to Boston this week.

Laramie and Nampa received ten cars of cattle at Easley last week, which were shipped from El Paso.

J. E. Brown of Fort Sumner received four cars of cattle last week, which were sent to his ranch west of the Pecos river.

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The people of New Mexico have lately taken a peculiar span in live stock along a new line of endeavor. They have always been great breeders down there and now they are taking to dairy stock. The Mesilla valley recently got in a trainload of milk cows from Iowa and now they want even more cattle for the creamery patrons around Las Cruces, for an establishment at El Paso. At Portales in Quay county, in the heart of the old range land where they grew cattle and chappets in about the same proportion the salt is for milker. A local creamery has just been completed with a capacity of a thousand pounds a day and the volume now is to keep it running. Already 1,000 cows are on the job but the settlers want more to meet up the abundance of alfalfa, corn, maize, milo maize and sugar.

Last winter O. H. Dennis of Colfax county, New Mexico, had a lot of damaged alfalfa hay on hand and concluded to buy some sheep and feed them to them. In January he purchased 100 old ewes at \$2.18 a head. The sheep did well and in May 1914 some of them were ready for market. Twenty-seven were sold for \$11.50. Previous to this time a few were sold. Petitions have been circulated at Fort Sumner and Santa Rosa in behalf of a county high school for Guadalupe county, at the former town, Santa Rosa taxpayers have given general approval to the project and the county commissioners will be asked to call an election soon to vote on the project.

Deming Creamery Starts.

The plant of the Minibes Valley Co-operative creamery at Deming was due to begin regular operations this week, the installation of machinery having been completed last week.

More Grief for Arizonans.

Southern Arizona's "soots" in the desert of dryness will soon turn into a tar bed and withered waste.

Rodeo is to go dry within the next week. The superior court of Grant county has ruled that Rodeo has less than 125 bone fish citizens and cannot operate saloons.

The supervisor refused to issue license to the proprietors of thirst and there is nothing left for them to do but close and pull down the water signs they say.

Rodeo has been the mecca of the Arizona people who like other than the "outslagging brands of moonshine and Hoosier and Lordshurg will soon become the nearest haven for the thirsty."

Old Fellow Built.

Deming old fellow have purchased an issue of bonds of the local bridge there for the construction of a bridge building which is to be erected immediately.

Lordshurg Gets Road.

State Engineer French has announced that the state highway commission will co-operate with the Grant county road board in building a first-class highway to connect Lordshurg with Tyrone and Silver City. The project will cost about \$12,000.

May Pave in Clovis.

Agitation is under way for the paving of Main street, the principal business street of Clovis. Considerable grading of other streets is under way in the Curry county seat.

Gold to Build Roads.

John Gund, who has served Luna county in various public capacities, has been appointed county road supervisor for that county and will have active direction of the expenditure of the county's \$100,000 road bond issue.

will be delivered in Carlsbad about the 18th.

James & Hendricks shipped out about 200 fat cows to Kansas City today.

J. J. Beals sold to Joe Lane of Brownfield, about 700 yearlings belonging to the Slash outfit in Texas.

Morgan Livingston and Benson Brothers shipped out about 800 cows today to Kansas City. Five hundred were Mts and 400 TXs.

Two cars of cows were shipped out yesterday morning from the Carlsbad stock pens to Dr. Baileys at Portales. These were the cows he recently purchased from Judkins & Lewis.

George Williams bought the slash outfit over in Texas about 200 head of heifer yearlings. Part of them will be delivered at Amarillo the 15th and the rest at a later date.

Paul Ares delivered about 250 head of mixed cattle at the stock pens south of town Saturday. These cattle went over the plains.

George Williams and J. J. Beals left Monday morning for Pecos, Texas, where they will receive the heifers. Mr. Williams recently purchased from the slash outfit here. They will be unloaded at the pens south of Carlsbad.

E. T. Carter and Nib Jones bought of W. D. Cowan of Pecos about 1,000 head of cattle last week. This stock will be shipped up and put on feed on the farms below town. Part of them will be delivered this week and the rest about the 23rd. The sale was made by J. J. Beals.

J. J. Beals reports the sale of 250 head of cows by Anderson and Robinson of Saragosa to J. W. Tracy to be delivered at Washington Spring December 1. Also 150 head of stock cattle by the same parties to J. F. Farrell which were received at Artesia Saturday.

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